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TENSION LESSENING

FULL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS TO BE HAD IN TROUBLE WITH GERMANY.

HOPE OF FRIENDLY OUTCOME

Evidence Submitted to Bernstorff by Uncle Sam Regarded as Conclusive Proof that German Submarine Was Concealed from Arabic's Captain.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

New York.—Prospects for a favorable adjustment of the controversy between the United States and Germany depend entirely upon the attitude which the Berlin foreign office will take toward the recommendations made by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, following his conference with Secretary Lansing.

Details of the conference have become known, throwing light on the critical point that had been reached in the relations between the two countries. The Washington government was almost ready to sever diplomatic relations, but decided to delay taking any step until Germany could be furnished the evidence in its possession on the Arabic case.

Friendliness and candor are understood to have characterized the conversation between Mr. Lansing and the ambassador. The latter now has been given an opportunity to communicate freely with his government, so that it may be clearly understood in Berlin why officials here are convinced that torpedoing of the Arabic could not have been a mistake, justified or unjustified.

In view of the evidence the United States wants a disavowal of the act, and this was made clear to Count von Bernstorff. Arbitration cannot be an issue for consideration until the attitude of the German government toward the act itself is placed on record. Later the American government may take under consideration a proposal to arbitrate, not the principle, but what indemnity should be paid for lives lost.

Tension was lessened and there was much more hope in both state department and German quarters of a friendly adjustment than there has been for several days. Much emphasis was placed on the fact that for the first time since relations became strained informal discussions are proceeding at both Washington and Berlin, and the freest opportunity for an exchange of views confidentially and informally has been made possible. In fact, it was indicated in German quarters that understandings might now be reached in advance of the writing of formal notes.

The evidence which has been submitted by the United States is regarded here as proving conclusively that, until she submerged to launch the torpedo against the Arabic, the German submarine was concealed behind the sinking British steamer Dunsley, and could not have been seen by the captain of the Arabic.

PRO-GERMANS OBJECT.

Anglo-French Scheme to Borrow from U. S. Opposed.

New York.—The pro-German element of New York's financial world probably will be invited to participate if they signify that they desire such an invitation in floating the billion dollar credit loan which Great Britain and France hope to establish in this country.

The moneyed faction of this element, Wall street heard, will be glad to have a chance to help another faction, composed largely of middle western bankers with pro-German sympathies, would bitterly oppose participation in raising funds for the use of Germany's enemies, even though the money will all be spent in the United States.

This was the big feature in the first day's negotiations of the Anglo-French financial commission with Wall street bankers, who are endeavoring to assist in adjusting the foreign exchange situation.

Hot Day in East.

Chicago.—September 14 was the hottest day in Chicago this year. On the third consecutive warm day, the temperature registered 90 degrees at 2 p. m. Several public bathing beaches which had been closed for the season were ordered reopened. Three deaths and a number of prostrations were reported from the heat in Philadelphia. Since the beginning of the hot wave a total of eight deaths have been reported as due to the heat. Two deaths and a large number of prostrations, resulted from the excessive heat in New York. It was the hottest September 14 on record.

German Drive Going On.

London.—The German drive toward Dvinsk goes forward unchecked, according to the Berlin official statement, and Field Marshal von Hindenburg's army has taken 5,000 prisoners and forged ahead to within about thirty miles of the Dvinsk fortress.

Gen. Ripley Dead.

Rutland, Vt.—Brig. Gen. Edward H. Ripley, who led the first federal brigade into Richmond after the surrender of Gen. Lee's army, died September 14 after a long illness.

FORT AT DUBNO FALLS

TEUTONS CAPTURE STRONGHOLD—RUSS VICTORY AT TARNOPOL.

8,000 PRISONERS ARE TAKEN

Petrograd Statement Says That Large Amount of War Booty Was Also Captured—Czar Expresses Thanks When Told of Victory.

Vienna, Sept. 11.—Continuing their terrific attacks to cut the railroads from Lemberg to Kiev, the Austrians have crowned one phase of their general action with success, capturing the great Russian stronghold of Dubno. In the capture of this fortress the Teutons have obtained command of the railroad lines from Lemberg through Dubno to Rovno and thence to Kiev and Odessa. Dubno is one of the triangle of fortresses protecting the approach of Kiev and is the second to fall, Lutsk having been captured several days ago. This leaves only the third fortress, Rovno, in the way of rapid advance toward Kiev and the outflanking of the great Russian army, which has fallen back from Brest-Litovsk.

The Austrian landwehr and cavalry entered Dubno on Wednesday. They are already advancing to the northeast, and if they take Rovno, only about forty-five miles away, it is believed that they can drive rapidly northward to the aid of Mackensen's army, which is advancing toward Pinsk on the road to Moscow.

Military authorities here attach great importance to the capture of Dubno and assert it may mean the cutting off of large Russian forces in the marsh district far to the north of the fortress triangle and southeast of Brest-Litovsk.

Petrograd, Sept. 11.—A Russian victory in eastern Galicia resulting in the capture of 8,000 German troops and 30 guns is announced on Thursday in an official statement issued by the war office here. Enormous losses were also suffered by the enemy in killed and wounded, the official statement says. It characterizes the result of the conflict as a "complete German defeat."

The emperor, having received a report of the defeat inflicted upon the enemy, sent an order to express to his valorous troops his joy and thankfulness for their success and the heavy losses inflicted on the enemy.

An official communication from Petrograd claims another big Russian success in eastern Galicia. Following their reported victory at Tarnopol, it is stated that southwest of Trembowla during the 7th and 8th the Russians took as prisoners 150 officers and 7,000 men and that the Teutons retreated hastily toward the River Strypa. Russian captures since September 3, Sereth front, total 283 officers, over 17,000 men and a great quantity of guns.

FLASHES OFF THE WIRE

COPENHAGEN, SEPT. 9.—A dispatch from Berlin attributes the slackening of the German advance in Russia to severe floods which are hindering operations on the entire eastern front.

Evansville, Ind., Sept. 9.—Thomas Sherwood of Lexington, Ky., charged with passing forged checks here and said to be wanted in Detroit and other cities, was sentenced to the state prison for one to five years.

New York, Sept. 10.—Gustav Stahl, the German reservist, who pleaded guilty to perjury in making statements that the liner Lusitania was armed, was sentenced by Federal Judge Hough to one year and six months in the Atlanta penitentiary.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 10.—Cleveland and Canton (O.) capitalists have supplied Russia with 3,000,000 rifles.

FOUL GIVES TITLE TO ERTLÉ

Kid Williams Loses Bantam-Weight Championship in Rough St. Paul Battle.

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 13.—Johnny Ertlé won the bantam-weight championship from Kid Williams on Friday night on a foul by Williams in the fifth round. It had been a rough fight, even up to that time, when Williams fouled the St. Paul boy. This is said to be the first time in a championship ever changed hands in a ten-round no-decision fight. Williams was the favorite for the fight. Referee Barthus' decision was popular. Williams' blow that lost him the championship was low, striking Ertlé in the groin. Doctors examined Ertlé and declared that the blow was foul.

Prince Humbert at Front.

Rome, Sept. 13.—Crown Prince Humbert, heir to the Italian throne, arrived at army headquarters and was given an enthusiastic reception. The young prince will be eleven years old on Wednesday.

General B. F. Fisher Dies. Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 13.—Gen. Benjamin Franklin Fisher, who was chief signal officer of the United States army in the Civil war, died on his farm. He was eighty-one years old.

WON'T ANYBODY BUY?



INDIANAPOLIS STAR.

ANOTHER AIRSHIP RAID

SCORE KILLED IN LONDON BY BOMBS.

Eighty-Six Persons Also Wounded—Missiles Cause Many Fires and Considerable Damage Done.

London, Sept. 10.—The latest Zeppelin raid on London was the most destructive in history. It was officially announced 20 persons were killed and 86 injured. The German naval airships invaded the heart of the largest city in the world at midnight and rained explosive and incendiary bombs that started many fires in the district where are situated London's most famous buildings.

Firemen were called out to combat the flames while the Zeppelins were still hurling bombs, and did their work with incendiary missiles falling all around them. It is believed considerable damage was done before the flames were extinguished.

The number of casualties in Wednesday night's aerial attack makes a total of 33 persons killed and 129 injured in the raids of two successive nights.

The most alarming feature of this latest visit of the Zeppelins, however, was that they invaded the heart of the city—the western part—where are located such landmarks as St. James palace, Westminster abbey, the parliament buildings, the Charing Cross railroad station, the fashionable residential districts and, on the edge, the great factories and warehouses.

CZAR HEADS RUSS ARMIES

Notifies President Poincaré of France of the Change—Kept Secret in Petrograd.

Paris, Sept. 9.—Emperor Nicholas has taken over the command of the Russian armies. Whether this will result in the complete elimination of Grand Duke Nicholas is not yet known. Apparently the czar's action has been kept a close secret in Petrograd because the first intimation of this action would come in a personal dispatch from the Russian ruler to President Poincaré. The message from the czar to the president follows:

"In placing myself at the head of my valiant army, I take particular pleasure in addressing you, monsieur president, most sincere wishes for the grandeur of France and the victory of its glorious army."

TRAIN HITS AUTO; FOUR DEAD

Members of San Francisco Theatrical Company Victims of Accident at Johnston City, Ill.

Johnston City, Ill., Sept. 5.—Four persons were killed and two others fatally injured when passenger train No. 120 of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad hit an automobile here. The dead: A. Brown, a Tom McDonald, Harry F. Dixon, A. Brown, all of San Francisco. The fatally injured: A. Brown, Jr., San Francisco; Oscar Mooneyham, West Frankfort, Ill. All except Mooneyham were members of a San Francisco theatrical troupe whom Mooneyham was driving to Johnston City, where they expected to give a performance.

Court-Martial for Colonel.

Washington, Sept. 13.—President Wilson ordered a court-martial to convene at San Francisco October 1 to hear charges against Lieut. Col. Lewis E. Goodier, judge-advocate in the western department of the army.

Wood Alcohol Kills Three. Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 13.—Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Glover of West End are dead, and S. N. Boyd is seriously ill at his home as a result of drinking wood alcohol, under the impression that it was grain alcohol.

ALLIES SEEK LOAN

ANGLO-FRENCH BANKERS CONFERENCE WITH AMERICAN FINANCIERS AT MORGAN HOME.

MAY ASK FOR \$500,000,000

Commission Begins Series of Negotiations in New York Looking Towards the Establishment of Huge Foreign Credit.

New York, Sept. 13.—The joint Anglo-French financial commission of six members deputed by Great Britain and France to adjust the foreign exchange situation here, reached New York on Friday aboard the steamship Lapland from Liverpool. They were met at Quarantine by J. P. Morgan and H. P. Davidson of the Morgan firm, who escorted them to their headquarters here.

The commission met a number of New York bankers in the library of Mr. Morgan's home and entered upon the first of a series of negotiations looking toward the establishment of a big foreign credit loan, popularly believed to be in the neighborhood of \$500,000,000.

Prominent New York financiers, including the presidents of some of the city's strongest banks, were present, informally representing the American syndicate of moneyed interests which probably will attempt to underwrite the loan; on the other hand, representing the British empire, France and perhaps Russia, were the six members of the Anglo-French commission appointed to deal with the situation here on behalf of their governments.

The British delegates are Rt. Hon. Lord Reading of Eire, G. C. B., K. C. V. O. (the lord chief justice of England); Sir Edward Holden, Bart.; Sir Henry Babington Smith, K. C. B., C. S. I., and Basil P. Blackett, C. B., of the British treasury. The French delegates are M. Octave Homberg, representing the French treasury, and M. Ernest Mallet, director of the Banque de France.

CARRANZA REFUSES APPEAL

"First Chief" Spurns Offer of Mediation in Reply to Pan-American Offer.

Vera Cruz, Sept. 13.—Gen. Venustiano Carranza's reply to the appeal of the United States and the Latin American countries for a conference between the leaders of the various Mexican factions having in view an adjustment of Mexico's internecine struggle, is a polite but unequivocal "no."

In a note issued by Foreign Minister Acuna General Carranza has told the diplomats that he can permit of no interference whatever by foreign governments. He explains that he is in control now of all Mexico except the state of Chihuahua and Morelos and a part of the state of Sonora.

The signers of the note to Carranza are invited to come themselves, or to send representatives to some safe point along the Rio Grande for a conference at which the affairs of Mexico may be discussed "solely from an international point of view" and with the idea that Carranza's government be recognized as the de facto government in Mexico.

Stress is laid on the assertion that soon the entire country will be at peace. The reply insists that the first chief is actuated by the highest motives in declining to participate in the conference.

SCHWAB HOME THREATENED

Letters Threatening to Blow Up Summer Mansion Are Received by the Steel Magnate.

Johnstown, Pa., Sept. 10.—Charles M. Schwab has received three letters, the last one recently, threatening to blow up his beautiful summer home "Immergrun," near Loretto, if he did not stop shipping steel and other war material to Europe for the use of the allies, according to information here. Mrs. Schwab and the servants left hurriedly and the big mountain mansion is closed right in the height of the early autumn social season. "Immergrun" is one of the most beautiful country places in the Allegheny mountains.

ALLEGED SPY MUST GO BACK

I. T. T. Lincoln, Former M. P., to Be Returned to England Under Brooklyn Court Order.

New York, Sept. 13.—Ignatius T. T. Lincoln, a former member of the British parliament, who recently admitted he had been a German spy, was ordered by Federal Judge Veeder of Brooklyn to be extradited to England to stand trial on a charge of forgery.

Swiss Arrest Germans.

Lausanne, Switzerland, Sept. 13.—A dispatch from Geneva says that the Swiss authorities have uncovered an extensive German espionage system in Switzerland and that more than eighty Germans have been arrested.

Health Body Elects Officers.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 13.—The following officers were elected by the American Public Health association here: President, Dr. John P. Anderson, Washington, D. C., and treasurer, Dr. Leo M. Frankel, New York.



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